abroad, have not been relieved to join their new postings for several months for want of the relievers;

(b) if so, the number of such cases; and

(c) the steps being taken to alleviate this situation?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) to (c) The movement on transfer of the Indian Foreign Service officers is sometimes delayed since it is often linked to a chain of movements. Due to exigencies of service or other unavoidable reasons, sometimes it becomes necessary to delay the movement of an officer, which affects the entire chain of movements. The transfers are decided well in advance of the completion of the tenures of the officers so as to minimise the delay that occurs in movement from one place of posting to another.

Applications for Freedom Fighters' Pensions from Gujarat

2704. SHRIMATI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for freedom fighters' pensions received during each of last three years from Gujarat;

(b) the number of applications cleared by Government for grant of pension; and

(c) by when the remaining applications are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) This Ministry have received 12, 37 and 18 applications for freedom fighters' pension from Gujarat respectively during the last three years.

(b) and (c) During 1993, 1994 and 1995 samman pension was sanctioned to 25 persons including those whose applications had been received prior to 1993. All the claims received have been examined and decision regarding rejection/deficiencies in the claims already communicated to the applicants and the State Government

Deplorable conditions of Children and Women Remand Homes

2705. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the deplorable conditions in which children homes, remand homes and women homes in the Capital have been run;

(b) the number of custody-deaths in these homes during the current year, indicating the total number of inmates and their capacity; and

(c) whetеher any inmates died of dengue fever and neglect; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) The Lt. Governor of Delhi had constituted a High Powered Committee last year to review the functioning of these homes. The recommendations made by the said Committee have since been accepted for implementation.

(b) and (c) The requisite information is given as follows:

Sl. No.	Nature & Number of institutions	Number of inmates who died	Present strength	Capacity
1.	14 Jevenile Homes set up under Jevenile Justice Act, 1986.	2	1069	1265
2.	3 Female Begger Homes set up under Bombay Prevention of Begging Act, 1959	5	75	150
3.	Nirmal Chhaya set up under Prevention of Immoral Traffic Act, 1958	1	73+ 6 (Children)	100

Except in one case, the death occured due to natural causes. There was no case of death due to dengue fever or neglect.

Additional Allocation to the State for Flood Control

2706. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the total allocated amount to different State for controlling floods during 8th Five Year Plan;

(b) the amount of additional allocation sought by different States for the purpose in the above Plan Period;

(c) the steps taken by Government in this regard; and

(d) the details of the flood control measures under taken by Government?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) The total amount of allocation made to different states and Union Territories in flood management sector during 8th Plan is Rs. 1341.37 crore. The statewise breakup is in the enclosed Statement-I. (*See* below)

(b) and (c) The amount of additional allocation sought by different states and the amount sanctioned are given in the enclosed Statement-II (*See* below)

(d) Various flood management measures such as embankments, drainage channels, town protection works, raising of villages and antierosion schemes have been formulated and implemented by the State Government in the successive five year plans. As per available records, 16199 km. of embankements, 32003 km of drainage channels, 906 town protection works and 4721 village raising works have been implemented providing reasonable degree of protection to an area of 14.374 million hectares out of flood prone area of 40.0 million hectares.

Statement-I

Statewise Break-up of Approved outlay in Feood sector During 8th Plan (1992—97)

S. No.	Name of State/UTs	Approved outlay (Rs. in crore)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	143.54
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	4.71
3.	Assam	86.85
4.	Bihar	251.71
5.	Goa	0.90
6.	Gujarat	10.00
7.	Haryana	52.00
8.	Himachal Pradesh	6.00
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	40.75
10.	Karnataka	11.00
11.	Kerala	65.00
12.	Madhya Pradesh	8.53
13.	Maharashtra	1.46
14.	Manipur	20.00